

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 3 are amended for clarification purposes only, and not to distinguish over the prior art. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

A verified English-translated copy of JP 2002-214296, which is the priority document for this application, is attached to this Amendment. Thus, the claim for priority for this application is perfected.

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Kim (U.S. Patent No. 6,734,935); and claim 3 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kim. The rejections are respectfully traversed.

In particular, Kim does not disclose or suggest a liquid crystal display device including at least a reflective film disposed in reflective display areas, the reflective film having a light-scattering surface, an edge portion of the reflective film located in a boundary area between the transmissive display area and the reflective display area, the edge portion of the reflective film having an upper surface serving as a mirror reflective surface, as recited in claim 1.

Specifically, Kim discloses an array panel for a transfective liquid crystal display device.

In contrast to the claimed invention, Kim does not disclose or suggest at least a reflective film disposed in reflective display areas, the reflective film having a light-scattering surface, an edge portion of the reflective film located in a boundary area between the transmissive display area and the reflective display area, the edge portion of the reflective film having an upper surface serving as a mirror reflective surface. On the contrary, nowhere are these features disclosed or suggested in Kim.

Thus, Kim fails to disclose each and every feature as the claimed invention.

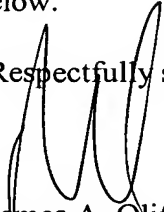
Moreover, it would not have been obvious to modify Kim to arrive at the claimed invention.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and 35 U.S.C. §103(a) be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-5 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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Verified English translated copy of JP 2002-214296

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